

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S2351–S2400*

**Measures Introduced:** Fourteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2831–2844, S. Res. 435–438, and S. Con. Res. 36. **Pages S2387–88**

#### **Measures Reported:**

S. 2837, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. (S. Rept. No. 114–239)

Report to accompany S. 957, to increase access to capital for veteran entrepreneurs to help create jobs. (S. Rept. No. 114–240)

Report to accompany S. 999, to amend the Small Business Act to provide for improvements to small business development centers. (S. Rept. No. 114–241)

Report to accompany S. 1000, to strengthen resources for entrepreneurs by improving the SCORE program. (S. Rept. No. 114–242)

S. 2844, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. (S. Rept. No. 114–243)

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#### **Measures Passed:**

**Silver Star Service Banner Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 437, expressing support for the designation of May 1, 2016, as “Silver Star Service Banner Day”.

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**National Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 438, designating September 2016 as “National Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month”.

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#### **Measures Considered:**

**Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2028, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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#### **Adopted:**

By 76 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 59), Alexander (for Franken/Heitkamp) Amendment No. 3833 (to Amendment No. 3801), to provide funding for the Tribal Energy Loan Guarantee Program.

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#### **Rejected:**

By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 57), Alexander (for Hoeven) Amendment No. 3811 (to Amendment No. 3801), to prohibit the use of funds relating to a certain definition. (Pursuant to the order of Wednesday, April 20, 2016, the amendment having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.)

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By 48 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 58), Coats Amendment No. 3814 (to Amendment No. 3801), to limit the use of funds made available for the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.)

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#### **Pending:**

Alexander/Feinstein Amendment No. 3801, in the nature of a substitute.

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Alexander Amendment No. 3804 (to Amendment No. 3801), to modify provisions relating to Nuclear Regulatory Commission fees.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that it be in order to call up Murray Amendment No. 3813; and that at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, April 25, 2016, Senate vote on or in relation to Murray Amendment No. 3813; that no second-degree amendments be in order prior to the vote; and that there be two minutes equally divided prior to the vote.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that it be in order to call up Merkley Amendment No. 3812; Reid Amendment No. 3805; and Flake Amendment No. 3820; and that at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, April 26, 2016, Senate vote on or in relation to the amendments in the order listed, and with no second-degree amendments in order prior to the votes, and that there be two minutes equally divided prior to each vote.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 4 p.m., on Monday, April 25, 2016, Senate resume consideration of the bill. **Page S2400**

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**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Page S2387**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—59) **Pages S2362, S2362–63, S2368**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:58 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, April 25, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2400.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Appropriations:* Committee ordered favorably the following business items:

An original bill (S. 2837) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017; and

An original bill (S. 2844) making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of General Curtis M. Scaparrotti, USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States European Command and Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, and General Lori J. Robinson, USAF, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Northern Command, and Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### PUBLIC LANDS LEGISLATION

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining concluded a hearing to examine S. 1167, to modify

the boundaries of the Pole Creek Wilderness, the Owyhee River Wilderness, and the North Fork Owyhee Wilderness and to authorize the continued use of motorized vehicles for livestock monitoring, herding, and grazing in certain wilderness areas in the State of Idaho, S. 1423, to designate certain Federal lands in California as wilderness, S. 1510, to designate and expand wilderness areas in Olympic National Forest in the State of Washington, and to designate certain rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park as wild and scenic rivers, S. 1699, to designate certain land administered by the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service in the State of Oregon as wilderness and national recreation areas and to make additional wild and scenic river designations in the State of Oregon, S. 1777, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to maintain or replace certain facilities and structures for commercial recreation services at Smith Gulch in Idaho, S. 2018, to convey, without consideration, the reversionary interests of the United States in and to certain non-Federal land in Glennallen, Alaska, S. 2223, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery, S. 2379, to provide for the unencumbering of title to non-Federal land owned by the city of Tucson, Arizona, for purposes of economic development by conveyance of the Federal reversionary interest to the City, and S. 2383, to withdraw certain Bureau of Land Management land in the State of Utah from all forms of public appropriation, to provide for the shared management of the withdrawn land by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of the Air Force to facilitate enhanced weapons testing and pilot training, enhance public safety, and provide for continued public access to the withdrawn land, to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land and State land, after receiving testimony from Glenn Casamassa, Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Mike Pool, Acting Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and Major General Martin Whelan, USAF, Director of Future Operations, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters Air Force, and Jennifer L. Miller, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations, both of the Department of Defense.

### ENABLING ADVANCED REACTORS

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety concluded a hearing to examine enabling advanced reactors, including S. 2795, to modernize the regulation